

Federal Railroad Administration

August 4, 2000

TO: RSAC Members and Alternates

The next meeting of the full Railroad Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC) will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2000. The meeting location will be the Association of American Railroads' (AAR) Conference Center, 50 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001, Phone 202/639-2565. The AAR Conference Center is two blocks from Union Station. A draft agenda for the meeting is enclosed.

The Hotel George, 15 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001, Phone 202/347-4200, is holding a block of rooms until August 23, 2000, at the group rate of \$159 per night. When you call the hotel to make your reservation please mention you are with the FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION GROUP NUMBER 2529.

It has been increasingly difficult to find meeting space to accommodate our large group and to find sleeping rooms at a government rate. For this reason, I would like to schedule the next four meetings on September 14. Please bring your "year in advance" calendars.

Enclosed is a copy of the draft Minutes from the May 19, meeting. Please provide edits/comments to the Minutes to me by August 25.

For informational purposes I am enclosing copies of *Federal Register* notices Passenger Equipment Safety Standards,, the Shared Use of the Tracks of the General Railroad System by Conventional Railroads and Light Rail Transit Systems, and Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs.

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